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Raised Bill NO 1051 Kathleen Gallo Bethlehem CT Town Clerk

While I agree with the reasons for the proposal of 'An Act Strengthening Connecticut's Elections", I feel that there may be other ways to address the current faults in the present system. I fear that the proposed legislation which changes the position of a registrar from an elected to an appointed one will take away the present system of checks and balances in place now. I agree there should be more oversight, accountability, training and perhaps a certification program similar to the current Town Clerk's Certification Program-BUT I feel that this can be accomplished without removing the electorate from the process.

For these reasons, I an OPPOSED to the current proposal.

Kathleen Gallo Town Clerk Bethlehem